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and so forth...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, but that would have had to say outside the woman's body.

SENATOR HILGERT: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This...your bill says just a portion of the fetus is in the vagina, not outside the body.

SENATOR HILGERT: We tried to be as encompassing as possible.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, this bill doesn't deal with what was described and discussed in the committee though, does it?

SENATOR HILGERT: Well, I believe...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It covers more than what they talked about in the committee, doesn't it?

SENATOR HILGERT: I would agree with that, Senator, yes, it does. This bill does encompass more than specific examples that people related and the illustrations presented by, and I forget the source where it came from.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that confirms what some of us have said, that they are not just talking about one procedure. They are talking about others, and they would like to impact on those others also. Based on the definition, you would have to conclude that, wouldn't you?

SENATOR HILGERT: Well, I believe what you're trying to...I believe what we're trying to do, if you describe the procedure in minute detail, then simply you have to change one aspect of it, and instead of the scissors going from the skull of the fetus, if you go from the chin, for example. If we had written "skull" into the statute, then that wouldn't have been a partial-birth abortion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If you would have used the term "intact dilation and extraction", you wouldn't have to do all of what you're talking about, because, contrary to what Senator Maurstad